



January 31, 2007

Mr. Rick Daniels, Executive Director Salton Sea Authority 78-401 Highway 111, Suite T La Quinta, CA 92253-9946

Dear Mr. Daniels:

We are pleased to enclose Desert Healthcare District board resolution #07-01 that was passed at the January 23, 2007 board meeting.

Sincerely,

Wayne B. Soucy, CHE, CBHE

Chief Executive Officer

enclosure

## **RESOLUTION NO. 07-01**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE DESERT HEATLHCARE DISTRICT SUPPORTING THE SALTON SEA AUTHORITY PLAN FOR MULTI-PURPOSE PROJECT

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE DESERT HEALTHCARE DISTRICT DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority is a Joint Powers Agency formed under the laws of the State of California by a Joint Powers Agreement dated 1993, and is the regional agency for identifying and implementing corrective measures to preserve the beneficial uses of the Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority has conducted extensive research and scientific investigation of the Salton Sea and has studied numerous alternative measures to restore and revitalize the Sea; and

WHEREAS, on June 29, 2006, the Board of Directors of the Salton Sea Authority voted unanimously to adopt the Executive Summary of the Salton Sea Authority Conceptual Plan; and

WHEREAS, the DESERT HEALTHCARE DISTRICT finds that the Salton Sea Authority Conceptual Plan meets the needs to provide wildlife habitats, improve water quality, and protect air quality in our region; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Conceptual Plan also creates major recreational and economic development opportunities in the Coachella and Imperial Valleys; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority Conceptual Plan meets the needs of the DESERT HEALTHCARE DISTRICT, its constituents, and those living and working in the Coachella and Imperial Valleys; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority Conceptual Plan is a preferred alternative that the State of California and the U.S. Department of Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, are considering during their programmatic EIR and alternatives study; and

WHEREAS, prior to the formal adopting or implementation of any restoration plan, the Salton Sea Authority will cause any project to undergo a

thorough and environmental analysis pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the BOARD OF DIRECTORS of the DESERT HEALTHCARE DISTRICT as follows:

- DESERT HEALTHCARE DISTRICT hereby supports the "Salton Sea Authority Conceptual Plan for Multi-Purpose Project" as a preferred plan for restoration and revitalization of the Salton Sea; and
- DESERT HEALTHCARE DISTRICT encourages the State of California and the Department of Interior to select the Salton Sea Authority Conceptual Plan as a preferred alternative for Salton Sea restoration and revitalization; and
- DESERT HEALTHCARE DISTRICT encourages cities and counties and other entities to join with it in support of the Salton Sea Authority Conceptual Plan.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Desert Healthcare District at a regular meeting held on January 23, 2007, by the following vote:

AYES:	Directors Rubenstein, Grundy, Grayman, Matthews
NOES:	Directors
ABSTAIN:	Directors <u>Hazen</u>
ARSENT.	Directors

Sidney Rubenstein, President